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Sir: This Amendment & Response is filed in response to the final Office Action dated December 12, 2007 in which pending claims 23, 24 and 26-57 were rejected. The Applicant respectfully requests entry of the following amendments and reconsideration.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.

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